H. R. 658.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 5, 1863.

Read the first and second times.

AN ACT

To promote the efficiency of the commissary department.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-1 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, 2That there be added to the subsistence department of the 3 army, by regular promotion therein, one brigadier general, 4 who shall be commissary general of subsistence, one colonel, $\tilde{\mathbf{5}}$ one lieutenant colonel, and two majors, the colonels and 6 lieutenant colonels to be assistant commissaries general of 7 8 subsistence; and that vacancies in the above-mentioned grades shall be filled by regular promotion in said department. 9 the vacancies created by promotions herein authorized may 10 be filled by selections from the officers of the regular or vol-11 12 unteer force.

Passed the House of Representatives February 4, 1863.

EM. ETHERIDGE, Clerk.

Attest: